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The Honorable Mike J. Rogers
Director
IP3
601 Thirteenth St., N.W.
Suite 1050N
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Rogers,

I write with great concern regarding a recent report in the *Washington Post* that Michael Flynn was reportedly paid by your company to consult on an energy project in the Middle East.¹ Mr. Flynn reportedly used his influence as a member of President Trump's transition team and as National Security Advisor to advocate for a proposal that your company developed and from which it stood to benefit: a so-called Marshall Plan for the Middle East. Mr. Flynn's highly irregular championing of this business proposal once again raises concerns about possible conflicts of interest while he was working on the transition team and in the White House.

As you know, former FBI Director James Comey was fired by President Trump after the president asked him to "let go" of potential charges against Mr. Flynn. Thus, as a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I am deeply concerned about Mr. Flynn's potential conflicts of interest—central to our investigation of possible obstruction of justice by the Trump Administration. Moreover, as the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on the Constitution, I am particularly alarmed about the potential separation of powers issues that are raised when the president and his subordinates attempt to obstruct enforcement of the laws passed by Congress. We need to know the full extent of Mr. Flynn's hidden lobbying for special interests and foreign interests while on the transition team and in the White House so that we may know his legal liability.

Accordingly, I request that you provide all information and any relevant documents pertaining to the following questions:

- What was the nature of Mr. Flynn's relationship with IP3?

¹ Greg Jaffe, Carol D. Leonnig, Michael Kranish & Tom Hamburger, *Inside the White House, Michael Flynn pushed proposal from company he said he had advised*, THE WASHINGTON POST (Nov. 28, 2017, 7:35 PM), https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/inside-the-white-house-michael-flynn-pushed-proposal-from-company-he-had-advised/2017/11/28/445da6f0-d454-11e7-b62d-d9345ced896d_story.html?utm_term=.2b8e53516347.

- What role did Mr. Flynn play in advancing the IP3 proposal described in the *Washington Post* article within the Trump transition team and later within the Administration as National Security Advisor?
- What compensation did Mr. Flynn receive from IP3, and what was he paid for?

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Richard Blumenthal", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Richard Blumenthal
United States Senator
Ranking Member
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Senate Committee on the Judiciary